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SUBJECT: LNG

PASS TO T. PROSS, OFFICE SHIPBUILDING COSTS, MARAD,
USDOC, WASHDC

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1. ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS REFTEL:

1. ORIGINAL WAS 63CENTS/MILLION BTUS PLUS ESCALATION.
CURRENT IS \$1.25 BASE PLUS A FORMULA RELATING LNG
PRICE TO INDONESIAN CRUDE PRICE AND AMERICAN FUELS
INDEX. DETAILS CONCERNING FORMULA CAN ONLY BE OBTAINED
ON A NEED-TO-KNOW BASIS FROM ARTHUR DORNHIEN,
INDONESIAN DESK, STATE, WASHDC.

2. NOT APPLICABLE.F

3. REFER TO NUMBER 1.

4. T34. 8 20 YEARS. VESSELS REQUIRED AROUND
1978.

5. 550 MILLION CU. FT/DAY OR ABOUT 3.5 MILLION
TONS/YEAR.

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6. BELIEVED TO BE NINE VESSELS OF 120,000 DWT.

7. AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, SOME VESSELS WILL
BE INDONESIAN REGISTERED. PACIFIC IS ACTING
AS ADVISOR/CONSULTANT ON TRANSPORT MATTERS.

8. BELIEVE THAT PACIFIC, PERTAMINA AND
MOBIL WILL HOLD JOINT DISCUSSION SOON. ADVIUCE
IS THAT MARAD SHOULD CONTACT PACIFIC TO
PARTIALLY DETERMINE WHAT BENEFITS, IF ANY,
MIGHT RESULT FROM MARAD/PERTAMINA DISCUSSIONS.
HAVE NAMES APPROPRIATE PERTAMINA OFFICIALS IF
AND WHBEN MEETING DESIRABLE.

2. SEEMS NO PUBLIC AKNNOUNCEMENT MADE YET CONCERNING
NEW AMENDMENT, THEREFORE NONE OF THE QUESTIONS COULD
BE POSED DIRECTLY TO PERTAMINA. THE RESPONSES
ARE BEST WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED UNDER THESE
CIRCUMSTANCES. COULD NOT CLARIFY NUMBER SIX. HOW
DOES THAT CONVERT TO CUBIC METRES? SOMECK. UNGER

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